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1. WE ARE PLEASED THAT COMMISSIONER HAFERKAMP CONCURS
WITH APRIL 20-21 DATES FOR US/EC CONSULTATIONS. WE ARE
ESPECIALLY PLEASED THAT GUNDELACH, DAVIGNON AND BRUNNER
WILL ALSO PARTICIPATE.

2. WITH REGARD TO AGENDA, WE AGREE WITH GENERAL OUTLINE
OF COMMISSION'S PROPOSAL (PARA 2, REF C). AS MISSION
ANTICIPATED (REF A), WE WOULD LIKE TO ADD ITEM ON BILATERAL
TRADE ISSUES. WE WOULD ALSO EXPECT, AS IN PAST, TO HAVE
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RESTRICTED DISCUSSION OF POLITICAL QUESTIONS. WE MAY WISH
TO MAKE ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS ON AGENDA ITEMS AS PLANNING
FIRMS UP.

3. ON FORMAT, WE AGREE TO DAY AND A HALF SCHEDULE PRO-
POSED BY COMMISSION. HOWEVER, GIVEN IMPORTANCE OF ALL THE

AGENDA ITEMS, WE WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT -- IN DEPARTURE FROM PAST PRACTICE -- WE ABANDON CONCURRENT WORKING GROUP APPROACH IN FAVOR OF PLENARIES STRUCTURED TO FOCUS CONSECUTIVELY ON INDIVIDUAL POLICY AREAS. ILLUSTRATIVELY, THE FIRST PLENARY MIGHT START WITH WORLD ECONOMY AND ENERGY. AFTERNOON SESSION COULD ADDRESS NORTH/SOUTH/CIEC. FINAL PLENARY COULD COVER MTN AND BILATERAL AND OTHER TRADE ISSUES. SUCH AN APPROACH, IN OUR VIEW, WOULD HELP ENSURE BROADEST POSSIBLE HIGH-LEVEL ATTENTION ON BOTH SIDES.

4. WE WOULD APPRECIATE COMMISSION'S VIEWS ON THE FOREGOING.
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